

### Applicant Initiated Interview Request

Application No. 10/782,314

First Named Applicant: Michael R. Smith

Examiner: Ryan J. Jakovac

Art Unit: 2445

Status: Final Rejection

**Tentative Participants:** Ryan Jakovac, Shawn Doman

**Proposed Date:** Wednesday August 19, 2009 at 12 PM EDT

**Type of Interview Requested:** Telephonic

**Exhibits to be shown:** No

#### Issues to be Discussed

Issues	Claims / Figs	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1)	Claim 1, 8, 38	Beck, TCP/IP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2)			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### Brief Description of Discussion Topics:

Applicants request clarification of Examiner's interpretation of references with regard to independent claim limitations, e.g., network device versus virtual network device, header that identifies receiving port from claim 1, virtual network device link from claim 8, packet that identifies a virtual link bundle from claim 38. Applicants also wish to discuss the § 112 rejection and the term drop versus filter.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

**NOTE:** This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

/RYAN JAKOVAC/

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Examiner/SPE Signature